

after us. We have the experience of the past, too, by which our life has been enriched or possibly hurt. We are tied up also, in the associations and the friendships which we have formed. The tasks of yestaday were finished at the setting of the sun,—we said there was nothing left undone; but when we awake in the morning we find new tasks awaiting us. In a thousand ways does yesterday's life pour itself into to-day's.

Then, while we should finish up to-day's work, neglecting nothing, leaving nothing undone, it still is true that no day's work ever ends when the day's gates are shut. What we have done is only a little section of the work we are doing. We only lay down our burdens at nightfall to resume them at sunrise. We sleep over night, unconscious of responsibility or of the vitality of the things we have done, the words we have said, the influences we have set in motion, but we rise again to find a thousand things waiting to be taken up. Love's duties are waiting, debts that we never can get discharged. Work is waiting. All life is waiting. We say the nights are walls separating the days, but really the days are not separated, cannot be separated. They run together and are interdependent. Each one is but a little section of a great web, showing only one figure of the pattern, the warp running thru all the days and years, binding them into one. A life is a serial story, opening with infancy and closing with death, and each day is only a little chapter in the story. Yesterday, to day, and to-morrow, are really one in interest, in hope, in love.

"Were this our only day,  
Did not our yesterdays and morrows give  
To hope and memory their interplay,  
How should we bear to live?"

"Not merely what we are,  
But what we were and what we are to be,  
Make up your life—the far days each a star,  
The near days nebulae."

"Aye, what were all days worth,  
Were there no looking backward or before—  
If every human life that drops to earth  
Were lost for evermore?"

"But each day is a link  
Of days that pass and never pass away;  
For memory and hope—to live, to think—  
Each is our only day."

## Missions

### Chicago Mission

Last Sunday we created a new class in our Sunday school. Tho it was a very rainy and disagreeable day yet the attendance was good and our collection was not diminished. The church is well on the way toward readiness for occupancy, and no preventing providence we will be ready to hold our first service in the church on Nov. 24th. We are going to have a beautiful and comfortable place for worship. Will have more to say about it next week. We have received many letters from friends, saying that the Board "has done the right thing in purchasing property." I only wish all our members could see our church but as that cannot be,

the next best thing would be a picture of it, which we hope to be able to publish in the very near future. The first of December is now approaching, and that is the date the Board named at conference, as the time to receive the contributions toward the church purchase. Cannot all be prompt and zealous in this matter, and hasten the work? With the serious illness of Brother Cassel's wife he is already much encumbered with care and trial, so let us lighten his burden by being prompt in making remittance to him, and not expect him to write very much just now.

We are having an epidemic of Diphtheria in a light form among the children. Brother Stridiron's family all have it. Brother Ellis' have a case of it. Brother Barth's had two cases of it. Our Mamie had an attack of it, but praise the Lord so far all are doing well. Mrs. Talley has spent several days this week out nursing and assisting those afflicted. This has delayed us a little in our work on the church. Just while I think of it, I wish to thank all the friends who have written me for their kindly wishes for the work here, and for their assurances of assistance in paying for our church property. As a nation the Lord has richly blessed us the past year. I believe there is not a just cause for complaint. Let us bring in the tithes. There is probably not in the United States, possibly outside of New York, a field where real gospel work is so sorely needed as in Chicago. Several years ago the General Conference chose this as a field for missionary enterprise, and the wisdom of the choice is being realized. Pray for us that we may have grace and courage for the work. While others may discuss "theology and expediences," which is well, but the true minister of God will keep right on in the labors of enlarging the Kingdom, and gathering in the Lord's chosen. Those who are converted in heart, mind and soul never cause much trouble in the matter of government in any church, and the unconverted, no man, nor even God can govern. That house in which the Holy Spirit dwells, is a well kept house. The lessons just now being taught in our Sunday schools are for the children the choicest in the Bible, and it is an inspiration to older people to watch the child mind as some of those great truths, types in the Patriarch lives, begin to dawn upon them. Wonderful the promises of God and their fulfillment centuries later. More wonderful still the promises of God in Christ, and what their fulfillment will be in his own good time.

We were favored with a brief visit from Brother Nickleson of California this week. He looked over our new church and pronounced it all claimed for it, and more. That is the verdict of all who have visited us since the purchase.

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### Indiana State Mission Items

1. In this issues we have a few sermon outlines by Brethren Rench and Yoder for mission sermons for our own state Rally day for missions Dec. 1, 1901. Make use of them

in your work Brethren if in any way you can get help from them. The intent of having them inserted is that they be suggestive to us.

2. A letter from Brother Hubbard informs me that the Brighton congregation has \$35 for our home work, the same in cash and pledge being \$5 more than their quota.

I feel like saying that praise is due this church for their loyalty to our home work, and may divine blessings go with them in their work.

3. Let us all remember our day for State Missions, Dec. 1.

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### Missions—Incentives.

Outline used at Indiana State Conference by C. F. Yoder.

#### I. Fear of punishment for neglect.

- 1 An accusing conscience, I Cor. 9 : 12
- 2 Evil from the unconverted, Rom. 14 : 7
- 3 Temporal judgment, Mal. 3 : 8
- 4 Eternal punishment, Matt. 25 : 41-46

#### II. Hope of reward. Mk. 10 : 29, 30

- 1 Peace of mind, I Cor. 9 : 7 Matt. 28 : 20
- 2 Reward from men, Luke 6 : 38
- 3 Temporal prosperity, Mal 3 : 10
- 4 Eternal reward, Matt. 25 : 34-40

#### III. The Constraint of duty.

- 1 To the world, Rom. 1 : 14
- 2 To the church, Rev. 3 : 15, 16
- 3 To ourselves, John 12 : 25
- 4 To Christ, Matt. 28 : 19

#### IV. Love.

- 1 For men, Matt 9 : 36
- 2 For God, I John 5 : 2
- 3 It is the better way, I Cor. 13 : 1
- 4 It is inspired by God's love for us, I John 4 : 19, 20

### Texts, Outline, ets. for Missionary Sermons

#### TEXTS

I can do all things thru Christ which strengtheneth me. Phil. 4 : 13.

And how shall they preach except they be sent. Rom. 10 : 15.

But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. Matt. 9 : 36.

Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes. Isa. 54 : 2.

In the name of our God we set up our banner. Ps. 20 : 5.

#### OUTLINE

Text: There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed. Josh. 13 : 1.

"If we can not cross the ocean  
If we can not preach like Paul  
We can tell the love of Jesus  
How he died to save us all"

#### I. The Home Field.

1 The basis of all our supplies From it must come, the men and women, the money, the convictions, the inspiration. Men of convictions do not say to boards "Give me a place"—they make a place.

2 Neglect of the Home Field It will dry up the fountain. There must be water in the reservoir before it can be sent out thru the mains. College, Publishing House Ministerial Supply, depend upon the Home Field.

Lo, here hath been dawning  
Another blue day;  
Think, wilt thou let it  
Slip useless away?

—Carlyle.